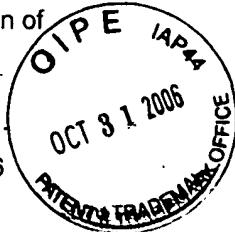


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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated September 25, 2006, please amend the subject patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 13.